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Lt. Donnie Edwards  
Taylor County Sheriff's Department  
450 Pecan Street  
Abilene, TX 79602-1692

OR2005-02220

Re: Request for any info in the investigation into sexual misconduct between Merkel School employees and students

Dear Lt. Edwards:

The Office of the Attorney General has received your request for a ruling and assigned your request ID# 223818.

After reviewing your arguments and the submitted information, we have determined that your request does not present a novel or complex issue. Thus, we are addressing your claims in a memorandum opinion. You claim that the submitted information may be withheld from the requestor. We have considered your arguments and the submitted information and have determined that in accordance with section 261.201 of the Family Code, you must withhold the submitted information.

For more information on the cited exception, as well as information on the rights and obligations of governmental bodies and requestors, please refer to open government information contained on the Office of the Attorney General website at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us). You may also contact our Open Government Hotline at 1-877-OPENTEX.

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